Population of State Increases 42,918 in Year.

In Last Five Years Increase OUT Was Only 8,000.

A report submitted by J. C. Mehler, secretary of the state board of agriculture, indicates that the population of Kansas has increased 42,918 over 1915. It shows that eighteen of the twenty-two counties showing a decrease are rural in character and pursuits. The total population of Kansas on March 1, 1916, was 1,715,463.

Eighty-four counties have increased in population, the greatest growth in any one county being in Eutler where the oil fields are located. In fact, practically all western counties show an increase in population while many of the counties in the eastern half of the state are showing a decrease in population. Montgomery county shows the greatest decrease.

Wyandotte county easily leads in population with 113,130 inhabitants, Sedgwick second with 72,594 and Shawnee third with 64,842. On account of alleged carelessness of Shawnee county enumerators figures for

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"Golden Belt Teacher" Edited by P. Caspar Harvey at Hays, Kan.
Hays, Kan., Oct. 14.—Western Kansas is to have a magazine all its own after Monday, when the first issue of the Golden Belt Teacher will appear. It will be edited for the school boards and school teachers of the "short grass" country exclusively and will circulate in twenty western Kansas countres.

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The leading articles in the first number are from Judge J. C. Ruppenthal of Russell, and Miss Dora E. Groff of Ellis. The editors are P. Caspar Harvey, managing editor, Ward W. Sullivan, business manager, and Floyd B. Lee and Ward W. Sullivan, associate editors.

DENTISTS ELECT OFFICERS.

Joint Session of Golden Belt and First District Bodies Closes.

Manhattan, Kan., Oct 14—The joint meeting of the First district and Golden Belt Dental societies which has been in session here for two days, adjourned after electing their officers and deciding on the next meeting

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Dr. M. J. McKee of Manhattan was chosen president of the Golden Belt society. W. H. Jordan of Hays, was elected vice president, B. E. Kelly of Abliene, was chosen for secretary, and J. R. Clark of Enterprise, was elected treasurer. E. L. Garrett of Abliene, was elected a member of the executive council. Salina was selected as the next meeting place.

NINE STATES REPRESENTED.

Topeka Branch Foreign Missionary, Society in Session This Week.
Chanute, Oct. 14.—The initial meetings of the Topeka branch meeting started off with a rush. The women who are in charge of the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society are business women and they can give many a business man pointers on how to get results.
The sessions Wednesday and Thursday were "shop" meetings, in which the district secretaries and other exec-

utive officials discussed plans and proposed work for the coming year thru the nine different states comprising the "Topeka branch." Women from Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Kansas, Nebraska and other states in the west took part in the discussions and there was scarcely a dull moment in all the proceedings. 25 YEARS AGO IN TOPEKA

THE TOPEKA STATE IOURNAL

October 14, 1891. The question is, shall we pave any far ther or is Tyler the Rubicon. The Pleasure Seekers club will give ance at Trades Assembly hall tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Baker will give two receptions and a dancing party in the next two weeks, in honor of their guest, Miss Clara Odell, of Newburgh, N. Y. Governor Capper Concludes Ed. C. Little of Abilene, one of the bright young Republicans of the state, is in town today.

Dr. Stansbury, the noted sinte writer and operator in occult telegraphy will be at the Copeland this evening. He is accom-anted by Mrs. Florence K. Rich, a test and business medium.

The debate last night between the young Republicans and the young men of the People's party was one of the best features of the campaign and it ought to have been. In the Swedish brass band under the direction of Prof. Brokaw, furnished the music. President Elliott of the Young Men's Republican club announced the question which was: "Resolved, That the issue of fiat money as a means of increasing our circulating medium is unnecessary and would be detrimental to the financial interests of the county."

C. E. Gault, stenographer to James A. Troutman, was the first speaker and was the youngest speaker on the floor. Half a dozen Alliance men tried to laugh him down. Mr. Gault disappointed the gang who made insulting thrusts at him until Prof. Vincent one of their own men, told them to "shut up." Mr. Gault said: "I take the attitude that fiat money, is never necessary, never constitutional. The flat money issued during the rebellion gained its value from the fact that it was payable in gold."

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C. W. Marsh, a painter opened the debate for the People's party. He said the their Hessians to take from the poor their hard-carned property. The rich had always opposed flat money. He stated that there were laboring men in Topeka who had not had a square meal in a year.

A man in the audience asked if they belong to Sell's circus, "No," he said. "Come with me and I will show them to you."

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to Topeka tonight and will go to Fort.
Riley Sunday to review the returning Kansas troops. Tuesday he will again take the stump for the national, state and congressional tickets.
The governor closed his Sixth district trip with speeches in Jewell county. Big crowds attended the meetings in Mankato, Formosa and Courtiand. The Mankato opera house was too small for a crowd of 1,200 that sought admission to the hall. In Belleville a crowd filled the court house an hour before the meeting and many men and women who came from remote sections of the country failed to hear the speech. At a night meeting in Concordia the capacity of a local theater was taxed.

Kansas Farmers Out to Give Nebraska Battle Today.

All Valley Conference Teams in Action Except Drake.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 14.—Close followers of Missouri Valley footbail today were looking forward to what purported to be the first real line on the merits of the different teams in the championship hunt. The struggles scheduled for today included every team in the Missouri Valley conference with the exception of Drake, which had an open date. A list of the conference games follows: nference games follows: Nebraska vs. Kansas Aggies, at Lin-

Kansas vs. Iowa State, at Ames

Supporters of the 'Kansas Aggies this year are jubilant over what they term the best team ever turned out from the school. Nebraska is in for

Kansas and Iowa State do not promise a brilhant contest, the Jayhawkers seemingly lacking a powerful offense, while Iowa State is said to be in the throes of a "bad year." Missouri will go into the game with Washington a favorite.

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Big Nine Games.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 14.—Interest in football in the Big Nine centers on the Indiana-Chicago game here today. This is the only contest between big nine elevens scheduled, and it is important in that the loser will be eliminated from the championship race. Chicago went down to a 7 to 0 defeat last Saturday at the hands of Carleton coilege, an unheard of thing. But the Maroons are expected to show more fight today after a week's grilling at the hands of Stagg.

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Indiana's strength is unknown and just how effective the work of the new coach, Stiehm, will be, is a mystery. His record at Nebraska is sensational but he has had no Big Nine

season will be between Colgate and Illinois at Urbana. Colgate is said to be weaker than usual this year and western dope is that Illinois will come thru on the long end of the score.

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Dakota at Minneapolis. North Dakota, not bothered by conference rules, is always in good training before the season opens and has the advantage of laxer eligibility rules and for this reason may prove a hard opponent for the sharers of the Big Nine championship.

Notre Dame is expected to scalp the Haskell Indians at South Bend with little trouble.

Michigan will practice on Mount

Assets \$10,600,000.00

Hanover, Kansas, July 15, 1916.

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Gentlemen: Your draft for \$628.06, in settlement of the cash value of my 15-year policy issued by your Company, which I matured today, has been handed to me by your agent, Mr. August Jaedicke, Jr. I wish to express my thanks for the promptness with which you made this settlement. I shall be only too glad at any time to speak a good word for the Company. Yours truly,

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REMEMBER-This Refunding of Railroad Fares will be effective for these Three Days Only, so why not come to Topeka and do your shopping without expense to yourself?

# The Most Important Shopping Event in the History of Topeka

The merchants whose names are listed below have set aside Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Oct. 18, 19 and 20 as Suburban Shopping Days. It is their purpose to do everything possible to make it profitable for Out-of-Town shoppers to come to Topeka on one or the other of these days. You had better arrange NOW—without delay to be here.

Special Values and New Styles Will Be Featured

The Topeka papers of October 17, 18, 19 and 20 will contain individual announcements of the Special Values and New Style Ideas to be featured. Be sure to read them.

Department and Ready-to-Wear Stores The Crosby Bros. C

The Warren M. Cre Pelletier's Paxton & Paxton Berkson Bros. Co. Outlook Co. Greenbaum Co. Crockett Merc. Co. Eli Ulamperl

Fair Merc. Co. Furniture Dealers Emahizer-Spielman Co. Wm. Connors Furn. Co.

S. Frank Furniture Co. Men's Clothing and Furnishing Goods The Palace Clothing Co.

Felix Clothing Co. Gibbs Clothing Co. The New Toggery August Clothing Co. Diment & Klein The Famous Clothing Co. B. R. B. Clothing Co. Fred Voiland Clothing Co. Scotch Woolen Mills The Model Clothing Co. The Hub Clothing Co. Morris Affron Edward Bowman

Isadore Scrinopski

Shoe Dealers Payne Shoe Co. Walk-Over Boot Shop Gerstley Shoe Co. Emerich Booterie

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Millinery Stores Puckett & Patterson Kahr & Phillips S. L. Courtney Music Dealers W. W. Kimball Co. J. W. Jenkins Music Co.

E. B. Guild Music Co.

W. F. Roehr Music Co. Banks The Bank of Topeka Central National Bank Merchants National Bank Farmers National Bank Wm. Mac Ferran German-American State Bank Hardware and Sporting Goods Fullerton Bros. Co. D. H. Forbes, Hardware

5c and 10c Stores S. S. Kresge Co. Woolworth Co. Jewelry Stores Harris-Goar Co. R. R. Peterson John A. Davis Co. Wardin Jewelry Co.

Addis Jewelry Co.

Miscellaneous

W. J. Lewis S. Freidberg **Books and Statinonery** Hall Stationery Co. Zercher Book and Stationery Co.

Hotels and Restaurants Throop Hotel Chesterfield Hotel The Cremerie Restaurant The Banner Lunch Co. C. L. Scott-Restaurant

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The Illinois Traction Co.

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